

BEXAR COUNTY AND CITY OF SAN ANTONIO IDLING RESTRICTIONS:

VEHICLES WITH A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING GREATER THAN 14,000 POUNDS MAY NOT IDLE FOR MORE THAN FIVE MINUTES (30 MINUTES FOR BUSES) WITHIN BEXAR COUNTY OR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

WITHIN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO CITY LIMITS, NO DRIVER USING THE VEHICLE'S SLEEPER BERTH MAY IDLE THE VEHICLE:

- in a school zone;
- within 1,000 feet of a public school during its hours of operation;
- within 1,000 feet of a hospital; or
- in a residential area.

VIOLATIONS IN BEXAR COUNTY OR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO ARE A CLASS C MISDEMEANOR. THE PENALTY IS \$500 PER OFFENSE.

- Idling wastes money: Idling may consume a gallon of fuel or more per hour.
- Idling threatens health: Breathing vehicle emissions increases the risk of respiratory illness, especially in children.
- Idling pollutes: Emissions from vehicles combine in sunlight to form ground level ozone pollution.

EXAMPLES OF WASTEFUL IDLING:

- Waiting in line.
- Engine warming - today's vehicles warm up faster being driven.
- Sitting in vehicle during lunch breaks, to complete paperwork or make phone calls.

HOW TO REDUCE IDLING:

The Alamo Area Clean Cities program can provide drivers technical assistance on alternative technologies to allow drivers to be comfortable and safe while saving money and reducing harmful emissions. Some technologies include:

- Automatic engine shut-down and start-up.
- Battery Power.
- Auxiliary power units and generator sets.
- Truck stop electrification.

IDLING RESTRICTIONS DO NOT APPLY TO:

- A military, emergency, law enforcement or armored vehicle.
- A vehicle being used as airport ground support equipment.
- Vehicles being operated as rental equipment.
- Vehicles sitting in traffic jams.
- Vehicles being operated for maintenance or diagnostic purposes.
- Vehicles made after 2008 equipped with heavy-duty diesel or a natural gas engine certified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.
- Vehicles providing a power source necessary for mechanical operation (loading and unloading, truck refrigeration) and/or passenger compartment heating or air conditioning.
- Vehicles being operated to defrost a windshield.
- Vehicles being used to supply air conditioning or heating for passenger comfort and safety in commercial or public transportation are allowed to idle up to a maximum of 30 minutes.
- Vehicles being used to supply air conditioning or heating for employee health and safety when the employee is using the vehicle to perform roadway, utility construction or maintenance.
- Vehicles being used to run heat or air conditioning while driver is using the vehicle's sleeper berth for a government-mandated rest period.

FOR MORE INFO ON THE CLEAN CITIES PROGRAM:
CALL (210) 918-1299 OR AACOG.COM/CLEANCITIES

TO REPORT AN IDLING VEHICLE:
SAN ANTONIO CITY LIMITS: SANANTONIO.GOV/ANTIIDLING
OR 3-1-1
BEXAR COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREA: (210) 335-6700



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WARNING

5 MIN IDLE LIMIT

A circular symbol with a red border and a diagonal red line through it. Inside the circle is a black silhouette of a truck with exhaust smoke coming out of its tailpipe.

**VEHICLE EXHAUST IS
AN AIR POLLUTANT
AND A HEALTH HAZARD.
PLEASE TURN OFF ENGINE.**